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REDOUBT BAY AND LAKE SUBSISTENCE AND SPORT SOCKEYE SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that effective 12:01 a.m., Friday, July 14, 2017, harvest limits in the Redoubt Bay and Lake subsistence and sport fisheries will be increased. The individual/household possession limit of subsistence sockeye salmon at Redoubt Bay and Lake will be 25 sockeye salmon and the individual/household annual limit will be 100 sockeye salmon. The sport fish bag and possession limit will be 6 sockeye salmon.

The Redoubt Lake weir, operated by the U.S. Forest Service, was installed and operational on June 17, 2017. As of July 9, 8,219 sockeye have been counted through the weir. Based on historic run timing, the projected escapement for the 2017 season exceeds 30,000 sockeye salmon.

The *Redoubt Bay and Lake Sockeye Salmon Management Plan* provides management provisions for subsistence, sport, and commercial fisheries that harvest Redoubt Lake sockeye salmon based on an optimal escapement goal of 7,000 to 25,000 fish. The plan directs ADF&G to establish a subsistence individual/household possession limit of 25 sockeye salmon and an annual limit of 100 sockeye salmon, and a sport fish bag and possession limit of 6 sockeye salmon if the projected total escapement is greater than 30,000 sockeye salmon. Fishermen are reminded that no person may possess subsistence-taken and sport-taken salmon on the same day.

The Emergency Orders corresponding with this news release are 1S2917 and 1-RS-D-23-17.

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